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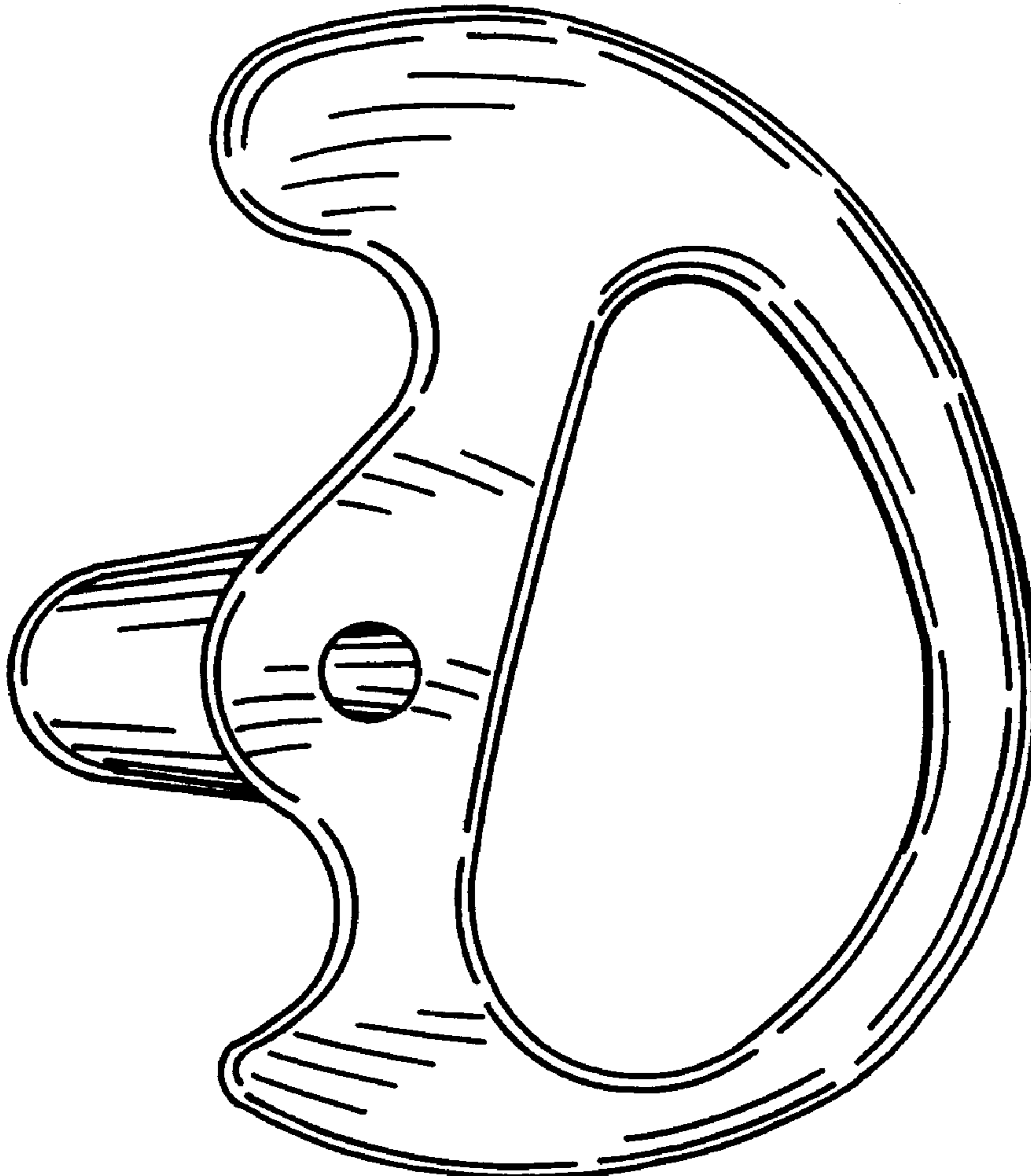
(57) **CLAIM**

The ornamental design for an ear insert, as shown and described.

**DESCRIPTION**

FIG. 1 is a front elevational view of a ear insert adapted to be worn in the left ear of a user showing my new design; FIG. 2 is a bottom plan view thereof; FIG. 3 is a rear elevational view thereof; FIG. 4 is a top plan view thereof; FIG. 5 is a right side elevational view thereof; FIG. 6 is a left side elevational view thereof; and FIG. 7 is a reduced front view thereof, the flexible acoustic tubing illustrated in broken lines for coupling the ear insert to an audio receiver being shown for illustrative purpose only and forming no part thereof; and, FIG. 8 is a front elevational view of a second embodiment of FIG. 1, adapted to be worn in the right ear of a user; the remaining views of FIG. 8 being mirror images of the ear insert adapted to be worn in the left ear.

**1 Claim, 5 Drawing Sheets**



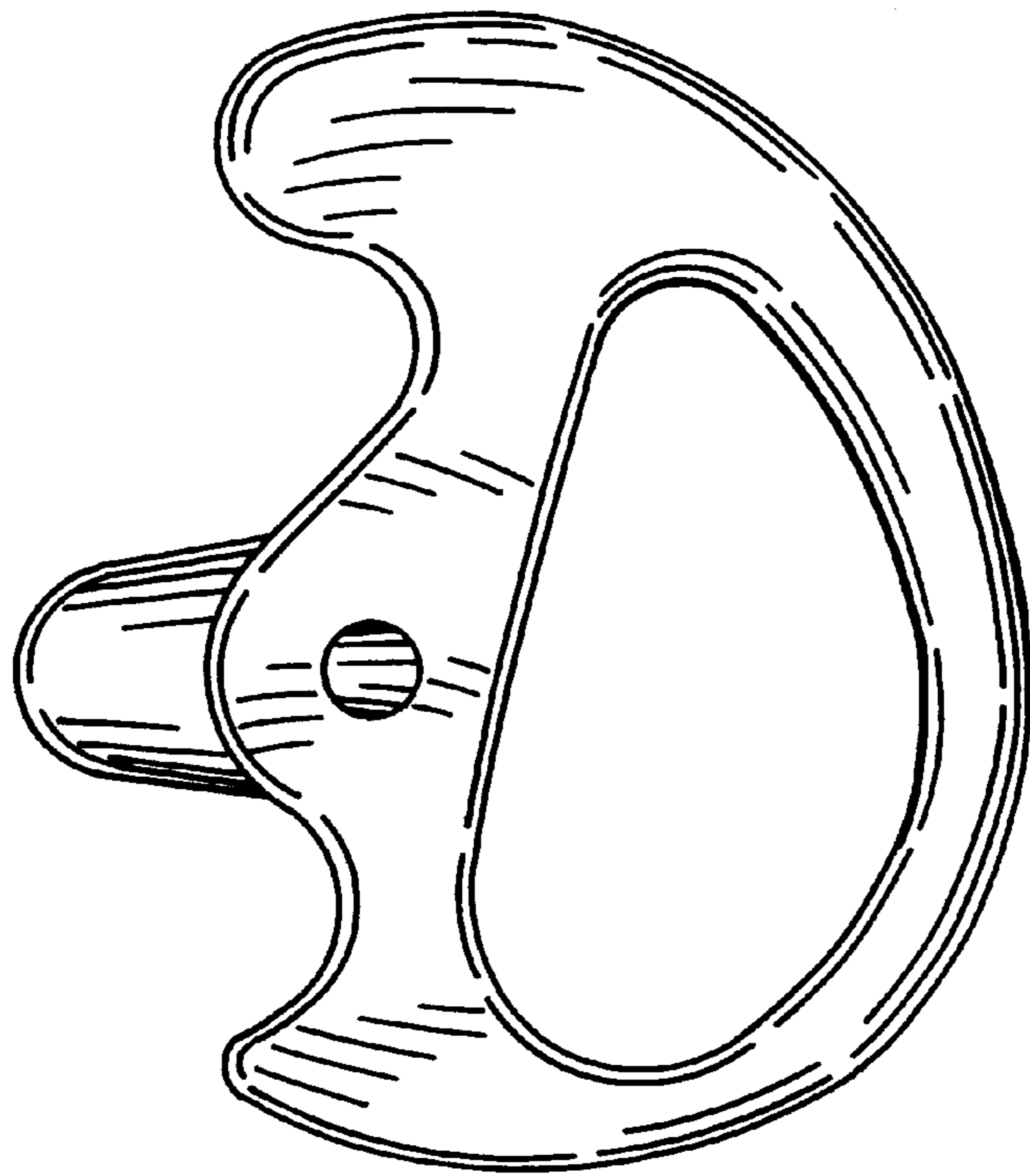


FIG. 1

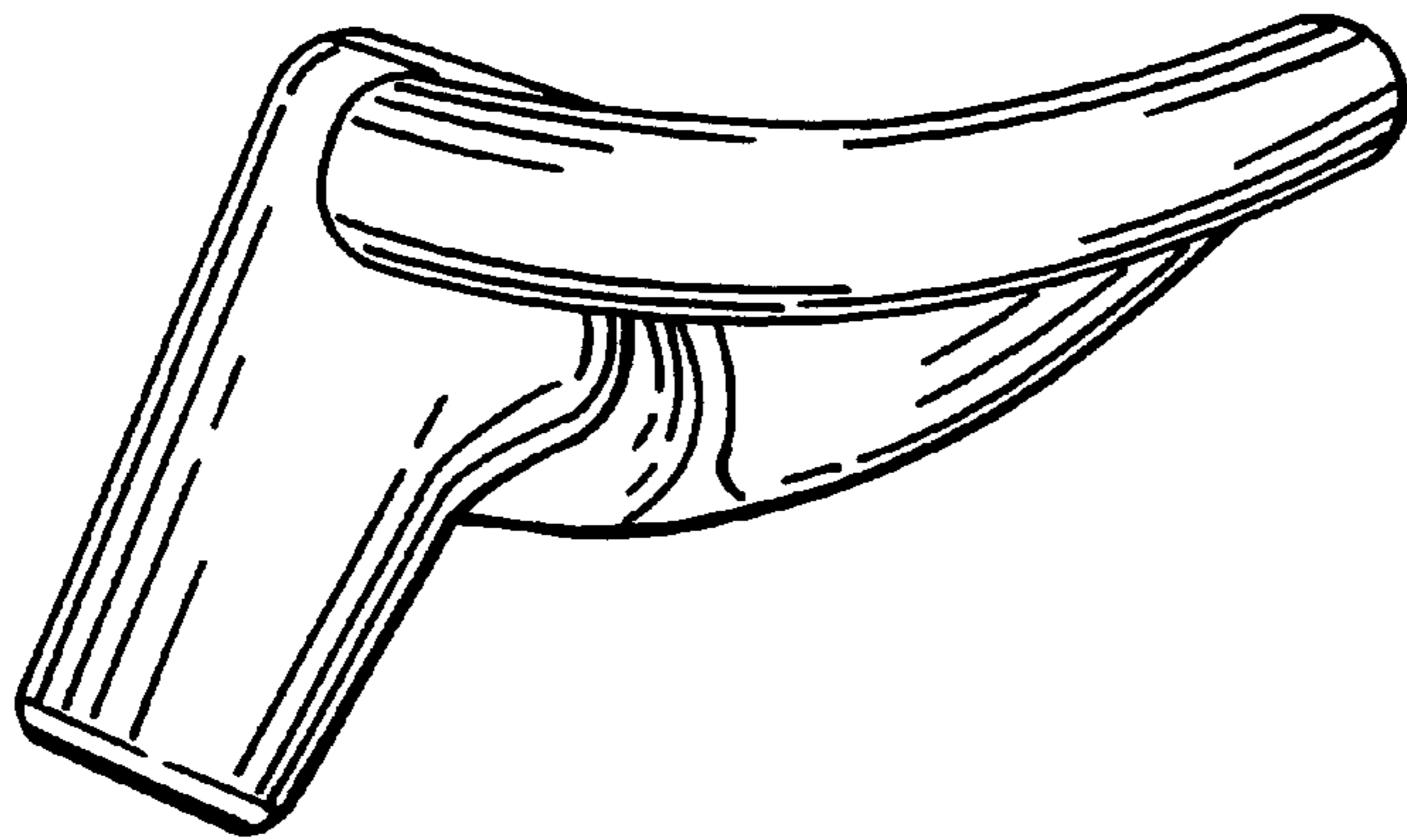


FIG. 2

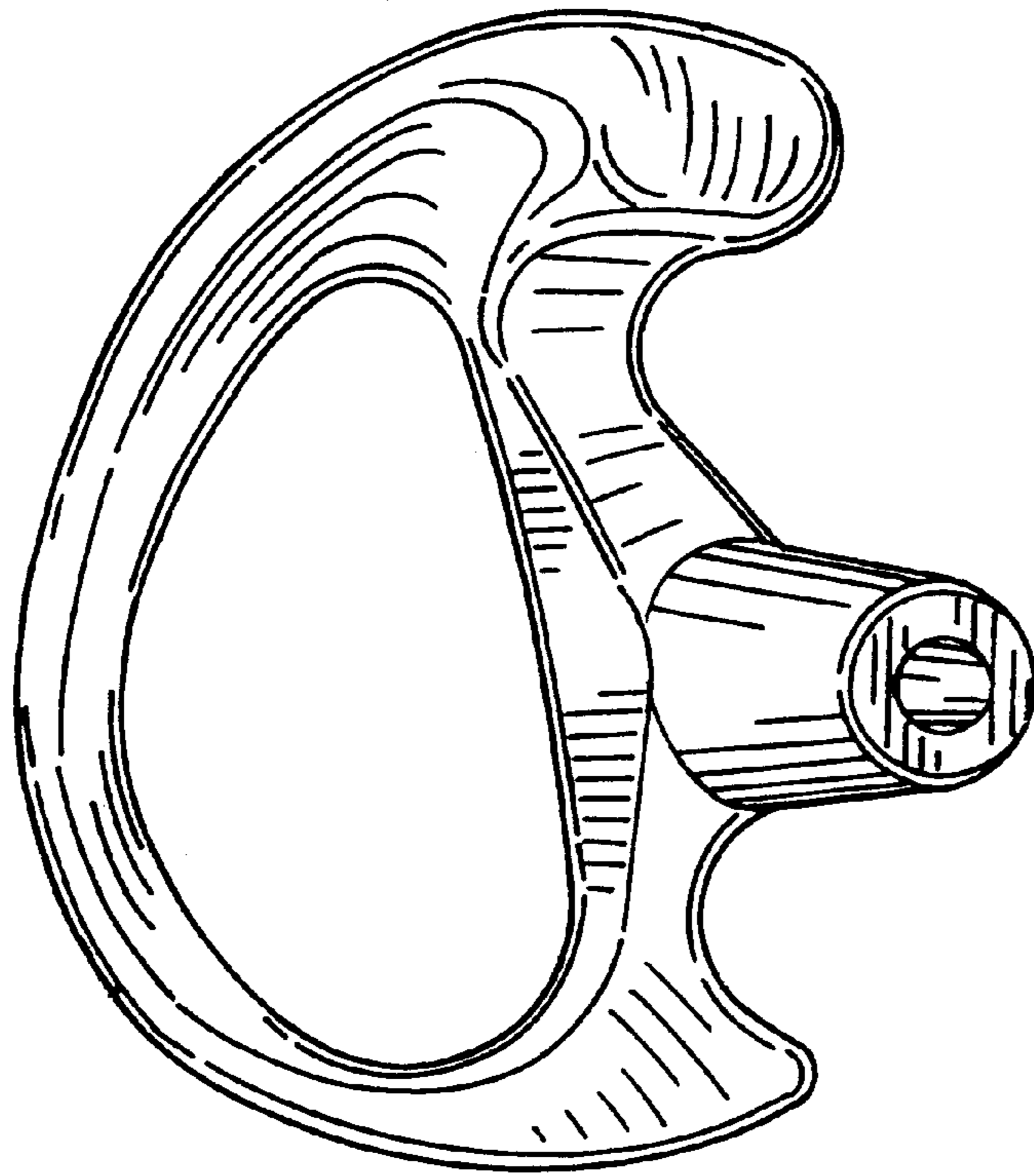


FIG. 3

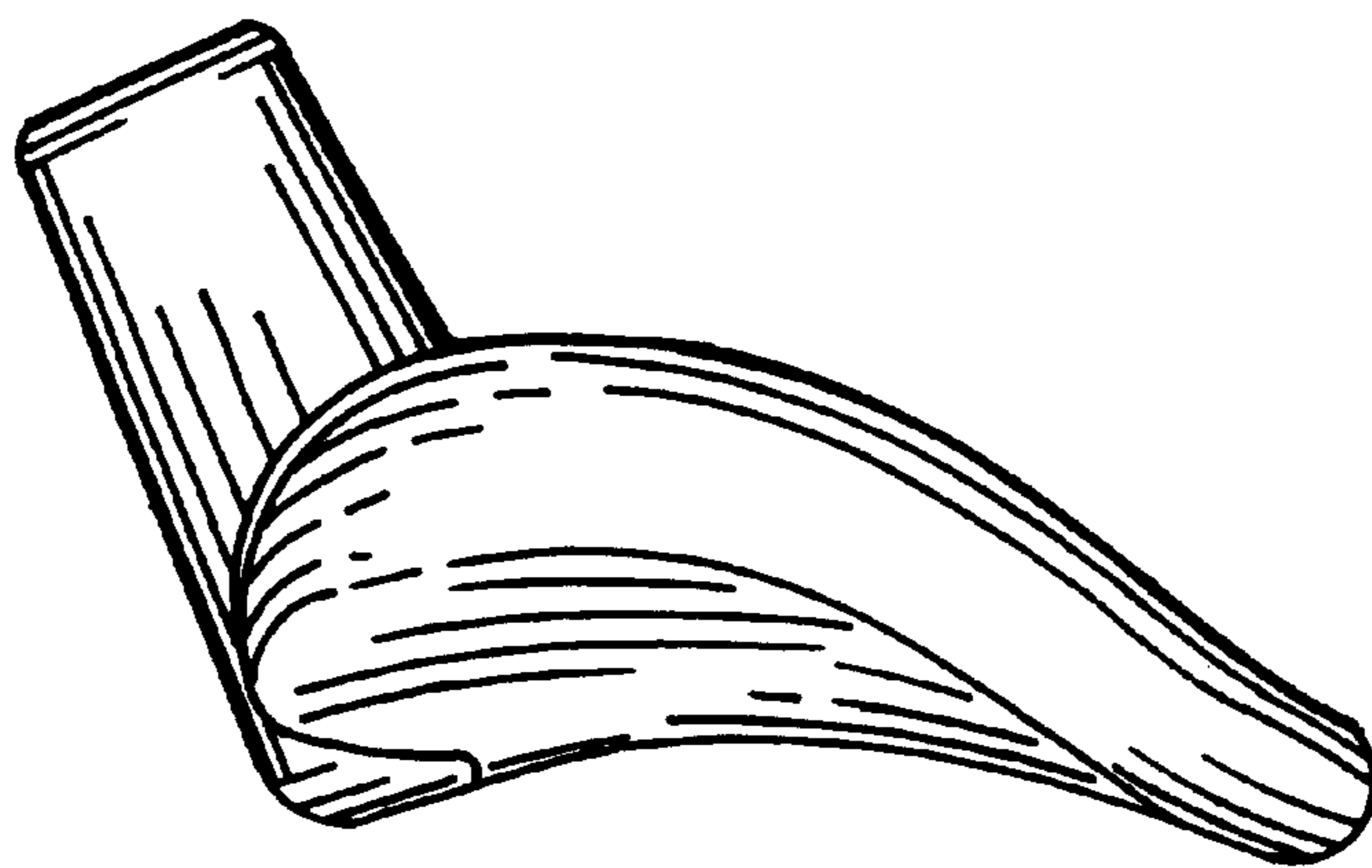


FIG. 4

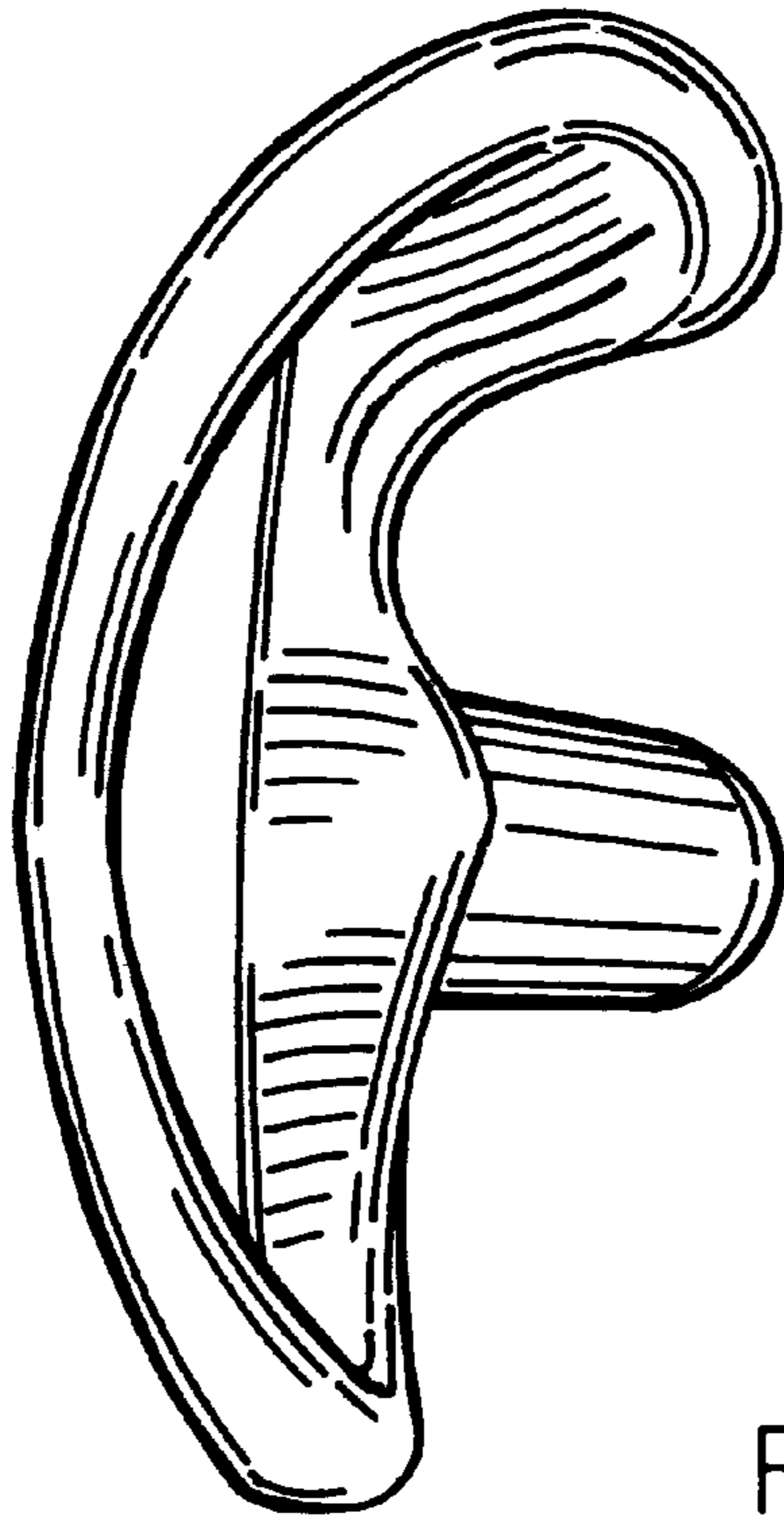


FIG. 5

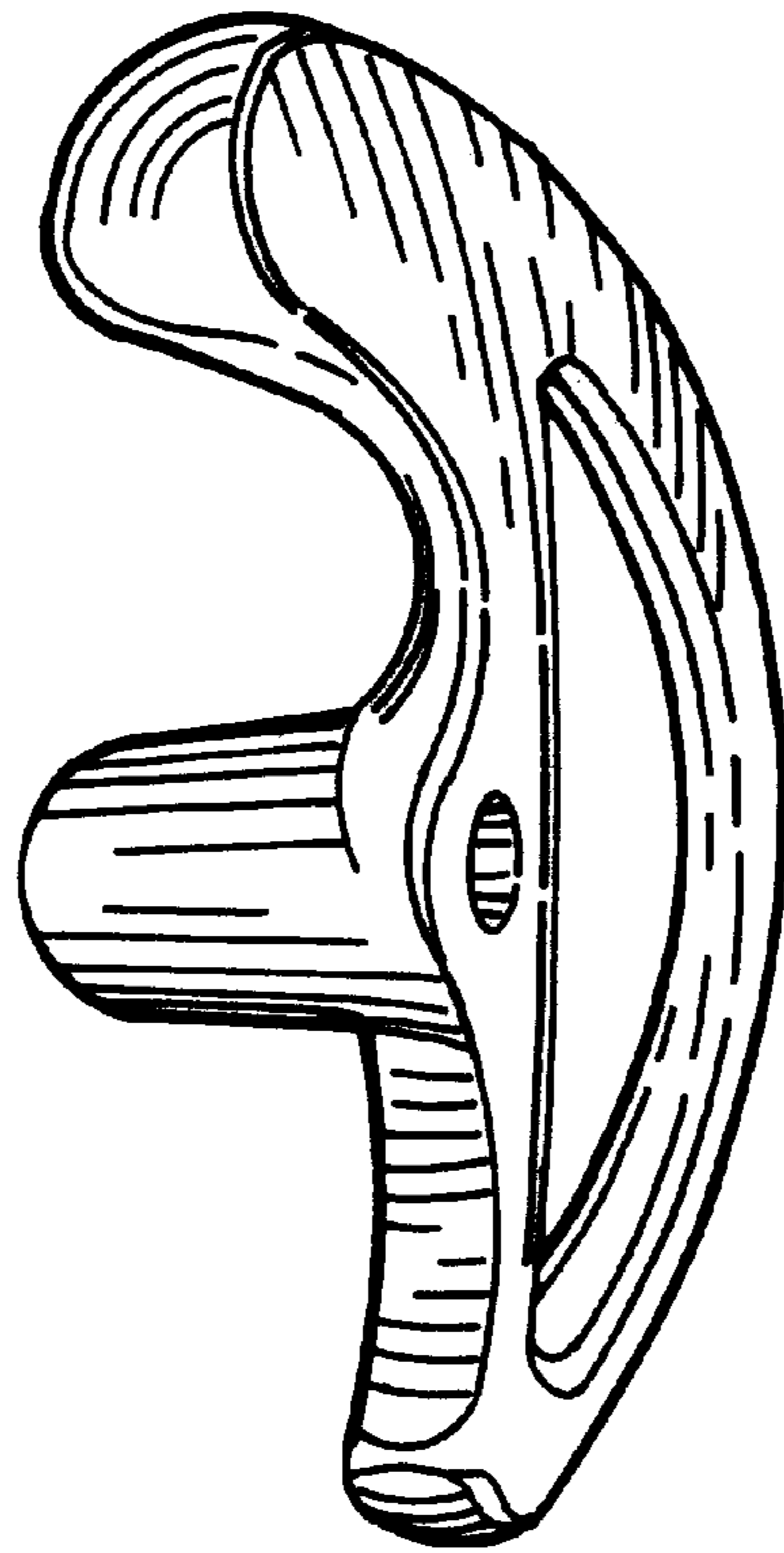


FIG. 6

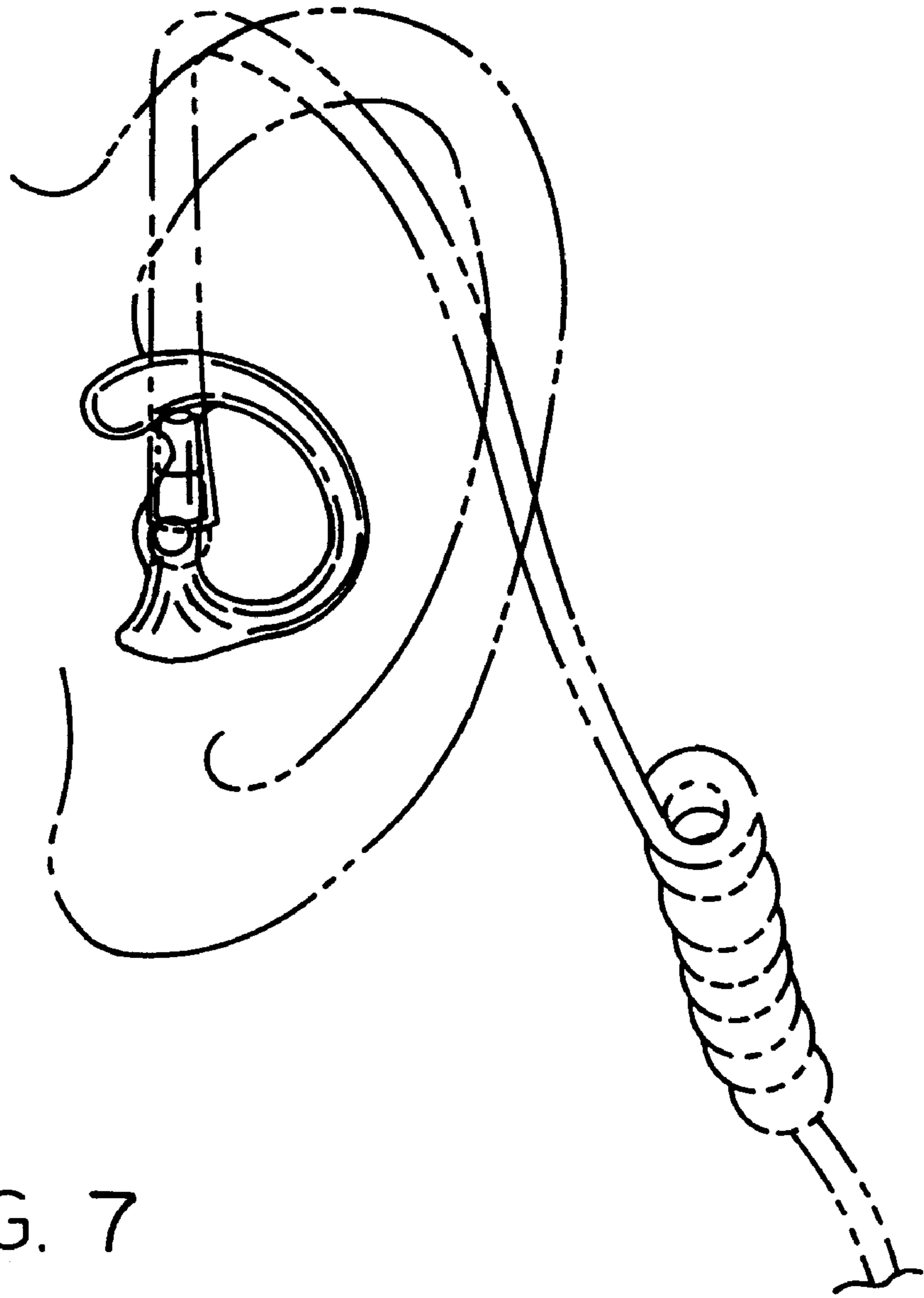


FIG. 7

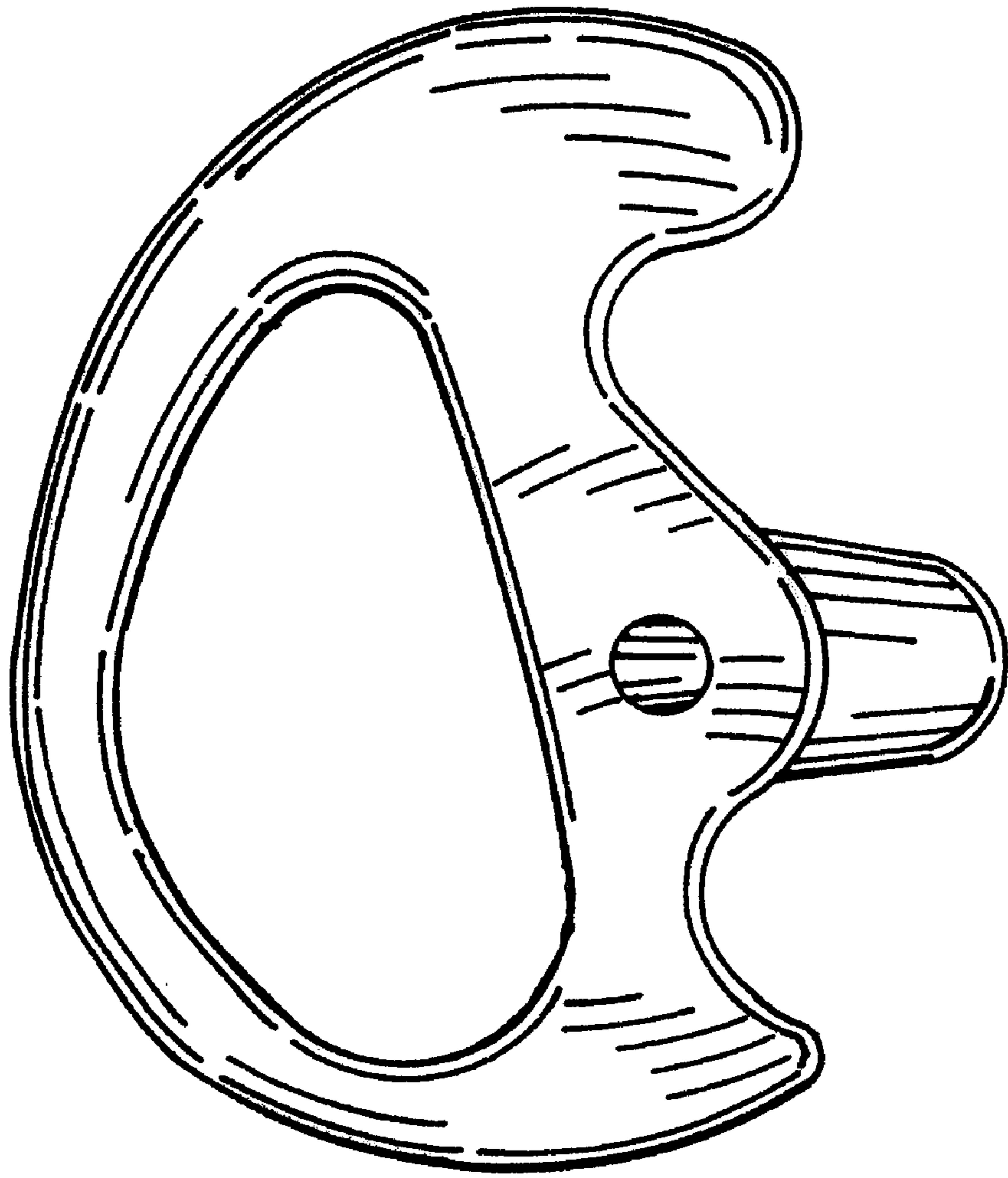


FIG. 8